

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Upon entry of this Amendment, which amends claims 11, 14, 15, 19, 26-27, 30-31, 35, 42 and 45, claims 1-53 will be pending.

In accordance with a telephonic conversation with Examiner Carlos on July 12, 2010, this Amendment is submitted as to the Section 112 rejections to “present rejected claims in better form for consideration on appeal” as provided by Sec. 1.116(b)(2).

Claim Rejections – 35 USC § 112

Claim 11 was rejected because there is no antecedent basis for “the primary game.” Claim 11 has been amended to recite “a primary game.”

Claim 14 was rejected because the phrase “and/or” renders the claim indefinite. Claim 14 has been amended to delete the term “or.”

Claim 15 was rejected because the phrase “and/or” renders the claim indefinite. Claim 15 has been amended to delete the term “and.”

Claim 19 was rejected because the phrase “and/or” renders the claim indefinite. Claim 19 has been amended to delete the term “and.”

Claim 26 was rejected because there is no antecedent basis for “the first eligible player.” Claim 26 has been amended to recite “a first eligible player.”

Claim 27 was rejected because there is no antecedent basis for “the secondary game indication cycle.” Claim 27 has been amended to recite “a secondary game indication cycle.”

Claim 30 was rejected because the phrase “and/or” renders the claim indefinite. Claim 30 has been amended to delete the term “or.”

Claim 31 was rejected because the phrase “and/or” renders the claim indefinite. Claim 31 has been amended to delete the term “and.”

Claim 35 was rejected because the phrase “and/or” renders the claim indefinite. Claim 35 has been amended to delete the term “and.”

Claim 42 was rejected because there is no antecedent basis for “the first eligible player.” Claim 42 has been amended to recite “a first eligible player.”

Claim 45 was rejected because there is no antecedent basis for “the first gaming device.” Claim 45 has been amended to recite “a first gaming device.”

Claim Objections

Claim 31 was objected to because it recites “the method of claim 30.” Claim 31 has been amended to recite “the apparatus of claim 30.”

CONCLUSION

Applicants believe all claims now pending in this Application are in condition for allowance. Reconsideration and withdrawal of objection and rejections of all claims being traversed is respectfully requested. The issuance of a formal Notice of Allowance at an early date is respectfully requested.

If the Examiner believes a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of this application, please telephone the undersigned at (510) 400-8890.

Respectfully submitted,

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